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CART Appoints New Trustees

Christine Itani, Joe Richards and Ian MacKenzie were appointed Trustees at the 6th March meeting of the Coupar Angus Regeneration Trust Trustees.

Christine and Joe are ex officio trustees joining CART in their capacity as Chairs of the Community

Council and Heritage Trust respectively. Their appointment, together with Ian (who has been CART's Treasurer for the last year), broadens community representation and engagement.

A full list of Trustees is available from the CART Office.

Belmont Castle Eventide Home Open Afternoon

Belmont Castle Eventide Home near Meigle is holding an Open Afternoon from 2-4 p.m. on Saturday, 21st April. The event is being organised by the Circle of Friends, staff and any residents who wish to participate.

It is not a fund-raising occasion, but an opportunity for visitors to tour the public rooms and to sample the craft and cakes stalls.

Tea will be provided and it is hoped that the sun will be shining on Belmont's beautiful grounds that day!

Dates for your diary in April

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| Friday 6th - | Printing technology, bookbinding and local printers, talk coordinated by John Easson for the Heritage Association. Phone 626244 for more information. |
| Monday 9th - | Community Council Meeting, Council Chambers, Town Hall at 7.30pm all welcome. |
| Saturday 21st - | Belmont Castle Eventide Home, Meigle Open 2 - 4pm. |
| Tuesday 24th - | PoP AGM, Lesser Town Hall at 7pm. (See below for details.) |

An open invitation is extended to all to attend the first AGM of Pride of Place in the Lesser Town Hall on 24th April at 7pm. . The evening will include a short presentation of our work to date, refreshments and open discussion about future ideas and projects. All input welcome.

WRVS volunteers

Spread a little happiness!

WRVS urgently requires volunteers to help with their Community Transport & Good Neighbours project which supports people with restricted mobility who cannot access public transport as a result of any of illness, special needs, age, carers' responsibilities and social/geographic isolation. Any commitment given is appreciated and makes a worthwhile difference to people's lives.

We are looking for car owners who have some spare time during weekdays to provide transport for people in and around Coupar Angus to enable them to attend medical, dental, chiropody and optician appointments, be taken to the shops and to visit relatives and friends at home or in hospital.

The project also needs volunteers to help with practical tasks such as collecting prescriptions, shopping, visiting those in hospital or residential care and befriending those who may be socially isolated.

WRVS volunteers do make a real difference and this is confirmed by our service users with comments such as "I have only recently become aware of the WRVS service but feel that it fits a gap in the community" and "A sincere thank

you to the volunteer drivers for their sympathy and cheerful chat, before and after the journeys and for waiting cheerfully for us at unspecified times".

We know that volunteering and being active makes people happier and even helps them live longer and is rewarding for both the volunteer and the service user so please have a think about whether you or anyone you know could do with a bit more in their life – help us to spread a little happiness!

All WRVS volunteers are paid out of pocket expenses to cover mileage costs and are covered by the organisation's personal accident and public liability insurance.

For further information on how to become a volunteer and also access the CTGN service, please contact Sandra White, WRVS North Perthshire Project Manager on 01350 727121 or the WRVS office in Perth on 01738 633975.



Information on new YWCA Girls/Youth Groups

Junior Girls Group AKA Girls on the Move

- Meet on a Wednesday evening during term time in the Scout Hut, Bogside Road, Coupar Angus from 7pm-9pm
- The group caters for girl in P5 –P7 and they currently have a program which is made up of both physical activity and personal development.
- Activities include sport such as volleyball, netball, swimming, ice skating and dancing. Personal development includes art workshops, healthy eating workshops, health topics and lots more.

Intermediate Girls Group AKA Girls Grove

- Meet on a Tuesday evening during term time in the YWCA Hall, Union Street, Coupar Angus from 7pm-9pm.
- The group caters for girls P7 – 18 years plus and currently have a program which is made up of dance/ physical activity and personal development.
- Activities include dance which is led by two of our young volunteers who recently completed a community dance leadership qualification. Personal development includes Sexual Health workshops, Healthy Eating Workshops, media work and other issue based activities.

Youth Club AKA Coupar Grove

- Meet on a Thursday evening during term time in the YWCA Hall, Union Street, Coupar Angus from 7pm-9pm.
- The group caters for both boys and girls P7 upwards. The youth club has recently received funding to run a new and very exciting project working partnership with the local heritage association, this will involve exploring the local history and heritage of the area in a fun and informative way. The young people will be encouraged to use media equipment, drama, fieldtrips, costume design etc to make this both interesting and exiting for them.

FOR FURTHER DETAILS PLEASE DO NOT HESITATE TO CONTACT GAIL BALIE ON 01828 628909 OR ALTERNATIVELY BY EMAIL TO ywaca@yahoo.co.uk

Townscape Heritage Initiative Project Officer

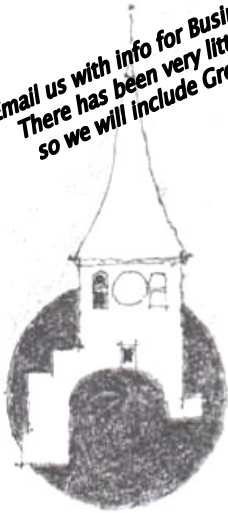
A Townscape Heritage Initiative has been approved for Coupar Angus town centre, with support from the Council, Heritage Lottery Fund and other funding partners. An experienced project manager with particular skills and interest in building conservation, you will advise on design and costs on grant eligible projects and monitor implementation of the Townscape Heritage Initiative Scheme. This will involve working in partnership with public and private agencies in order to promote and achieve high quality design. Degree qualified with a relevant professional qualification, you will demon-

strate enthusiasm and flair for design, urban development and conservation issues. Experience in a local planning authority or in private/public architectural/surveying practice would be an advantage.

£18,705-£20,153 (3 days/week) Fixed Term (For 3 years)
Coupar Angus Area Office
Perth & Kinross Council Ref. 5577

For further information see Council Vacancies at www.perthshire.com or contact John McCrone on 01738 475385.

*Email us with info for Business in Focus
There has been very little interest
so we will include Groups also!*



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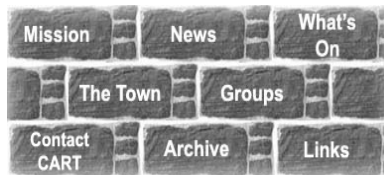
Usual office hours
Tues, Wed & Thurs
9 - 3pm

www.coupar-angus.org

Web page Officially Launched

You may recall October's edition of the Coupar Angus Bulletin asked for help putting Coupar Angus on the World Wide Web. There has been six months hard work since then co-ordinated by community volunteer David Scott resulting in a fantastic website celebrating Coupar Angus.

The Website officially launched yesterday, by CART Project Manager Graham Young, is easy to use with a clever Sandstone block menu.



David commented, "the site has been designed as a presence for all things Coupar Angus on the Internet. Although the site is initially about the regeneration of Coupar Angus, it has also been designed to act as a store of information on Coupar Angus. Anyone in the world can find out what's been going on in Coupar Angus and what's about to happen. They can find out what activities and groups are active in the

town and who to contact if they want to join in. The Heritage Association are also compiling a history of the town and the internet is a great way to present and preserve an archive of old images of the town."

The archive is already under way with all the past issues of the Coupar Angus Bulletins available as well as pages on the 2006 Horse Fair, Fireworks display and Tollbooth Open day.

The site is very much a work in progress because it requires input from you. The Community Groups page is a great way to publicise your club or organisation on the internet and it is very straightforward to put a link on the webpage if your group already has it's own website. The Pride of Place page gives an example of the type of page you could have.

If you have any images or stories that tell a bit about life in Coupar Angus please send your information to web@coupar-angus.org or pass it into the CART office. Photographs can be scanned and will be treated with the utmost care.

Please note an amendment to last months article from the Pride of Place Group; the group are appealing for berry barrels and not baskets (that you use to pick your own!!) for this summers floral display.